

## **IC 12-16.1-7**

### **Chapter 7. Cost of Care and Payment**

*Effective 7-1-2003.*

#### **IC 12-16.1-7-1**

##### **Payment of costs**

*Effective 7-1-2003.*

Sec. 1. The division shall pay the following, subject to the limitations in section 4 of this chapter:

- (1) The necessary costs of medical or hospital care for indigent patients.
- (2) The cost of transportation to the place of treatment arising out of the medical or hospital care for indigent patients.

*As added by P.L.283-2001, SEC.31.*

#### **IC 12-16.1-7-2**

##### **Segregation of claims by year**

*Effective 7-1-2003.*

Sec. 2. (a) Except as provided in section 5 of this chapter, claims for payment shall be segregated by year using the patient's admission date.

(b) Each year, the division shall pay claims as provided in section 4 of this chapter without regard to the county of admission or that county's transfer to the state fund.

*As added by P.L.283-2001, SEC.31.*

#### **IC 12-16.1-7-3**

##### **Warrants**

*Effective 7-1-2003.*

Sec. 3. A payment made to a hospital under the hospital care for the indigent program must be on a warrant drawn on the state hospital care for the indigent fund established under IC 12-16-14.

*As added by P.L.283-2001, SEC.31.*

#### **IC 12-16.1-7-4**

##### **Amount of payments**

*Effective 7-1-2003.*

Sec. 4. (a) Each year, the division shall pay two-thirds ( $\frac{2}{3}$ ) of each claim upon submission and approval of the claim.

(b) If the amount of money in the state hospital care for the indigent fund in a year is insufficient to pay two-thirds ( $\frac{2}{3}$ ) of each approved claim for patients admitted in that year, the state's and a county's liability to providers under the hospital care for the indigent program for claims approved for patients admitted in that year is limited to the sum of the following:

- (1) The amount transferred to the state hospital care for the indigent fund from county hospital care for the indigent funds in that year under IC 12-16.1-13.
- (2) Any contribution to the fund in that year.
- (3) Any amount that was appropriated to the state hospital care for the indigent fund for that year by the general assembly.

(4) Any amount that was carried over to the state hospital care for the indigent fund from a preceding year.

(c) This section does not obligate the general assembly to appropriate money to the state hospital care for the indigent fund.

*As added by P.L.283-2001, SEC.31.*

#### **IC 12-16.1-7-5**

##### **Pro rata payments to providers of balance of claims**

*Effective 7-1-2003.*

Sec. 5. Before the end of each state fiscal year, the division shall, to the extent there is money in the state hospital care for the indigent fund, pay each provider under the hospital care for the indigent program a pro rata part of the one-third (1/3) balance on each approved claim for patients admitted during the preceding year.

*As added by P.L.283-2001, SEC.31.*

#### **IC 12-16.1-7-6**

##### **Claims not submitted within deadlines**

*Effective 7-1-2003.*

Sec. 6. If:

(1) a claim for a patient admitted during a particular year is not submitted by the deadline established by the division; and

(2) the failure to submit the claim is not the fault of the provider; the claim shall be considered a claim for the year the claim is submitted for purposes of payment under this chapter.

*As added by P.L.283-2001, SEC.31.*

#### **IC 12-16.1-7-7**

##### **Payments for noncitizens and aliens not required**

*Effective 7-1-2003.*

Sec. 7. The division and a county office are not responsible under the hospital care for the indigent program for the payment of any part of the costs of providing care in a hospital to an individual who is not either of the following:

(1) A citizen of the United States.

(2) A lawfully admitted alien.

*As added by P.L.283-2001, SEC.31.*

#### **IC 12-16.1-7-8**

##### **No responsibility for payment of costs for certain patients**

*Effective 7-1-2003.*

Sec. 8. The division and a county office are not liable for any part of the cost of care provided to an individual who has been determined to be a patient described in the rules adopted under IC 12-16.1-9.

*As added by P.L.283-2001, SEC.31.*

#### **IC 12-16.1-7-9**

##### **Effect on claims for patients admitted before January 1, 1987**

*Effective 7-1-2003.*

Sec. 9. IC 12-16.1-2 through IC 12-16.1-14 do not affect the liability

of a county with respect to claims for hospital care for the indigent for patients admitted before January 1, 1987.

*As added by P.L.283-2001, SEC.31.*

#### **IC 12-16.1-7-10**

##### **Estimates of cost savings; recommendations for transfers**

*Effective 7-1-2003.*

Sec. 10. (a) The budget agency shall estimate for each fiscal year the cost savings to the state hospital care for the indigent fund as the result of the provision of Medicaid to an individual described in IC 12-15-2-12 and IC 12-15-2-13.

(b) The budget agency shall, each fiscal year, recommend to the general assembly that an amount equal to the cost savings described in subsection (a) be transferred from the state hospital care for the indigent fund to the state general fund.

*As added by P.L.283-2001, SEC.31.*

#### **IC 12-16.1-7-11**

##### **Ineligibility of Medicaid providers for payments**

*Effective 7-1-2003.*

Sec. 11. Providers eligible for payment under IC 12-15-15-9 may not receive payment under this chapter and are not subject to IC 12-16.1-3, IC 12-16.1-4, and IC 12-16.1-5.

*As added by P.L.283-2001, SEC.31.*

#### **IC 12-16.1-7-12**

##### **Agreement to accept payments as payment in full**

*Effective 7-1-2003.*

Sec. 12. All providers receiving payment under this chapter agree to accept, as payment in full, the amount paid for the hospital care for the indigent program for those claims submitted for payment under the program, with the exception of authorized deductibles, co-insurance, co-payment, or similar cost sharing charges.

*As added by P.L.283-2001, SEC.31.*